(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, by when final report is likely to be submitted; and

(e) whether Government have decided the cut-off date for implementing the report of Delimitation Commission?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Delimitation Commission has been constituted under the provisions of section 3 of the Delimitation Act, 2002 for delimitation of Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabha constituencies. The present term of the Delimitation Commission will expire on 31st July, 2007. The proposal to extend the term of the Commission further is under consideration of the Government.

(c) and (d) The Delimitation Commission has notified the final orders in respect of 18 States/Union territories so far.

(e) The Government's view is to give effect to the delimitation orders issued by the Delimitation Commission after the delimitation exercise in respect of all the States/Union territories has been completed.

Appeals filed by Government, State Governments and PSUs

4190. SHRI S.M. LALJAN BASHA: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a conference of Chief Justices and Chief Ministers was held recently in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether the problem of automatic appeals by State Governments, PSUs and Central Government in High Courts and Supreme Court was discussed;

(c) whether it is a fact that part of the backlog in courts relates to easy and automatic appeal by Government; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken for retractive action to advise State Governments and PSUs and organs of Central Government to withdraw appeals in trivial issues?

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Appeals are made after seeking appropriate advice from concerned Departments and the Courts admit them on merits. In view of this, there is no proposal under consideration of the Central Government to advise its organs to take retractive action on appeals made by them and entertained by Courts. In so far as State Governments are concerned, it is for the respective State Government to take a view in such matter.

Expansion work of NALCO

†4191. SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY: Will the Minister of MINES be pleased to state:

(a) the status of second expansion work of the National Aluminium Company (NALCO);

(b) whether the company is going to set up any factory abroad; and

(c) whether the rehabilitation problem of this profit earning company been fully resolved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINES (DR. T. SUBBARAMI REDDY): (a) With regard to second phase expansion of National Aluminium Company Limited (NALCO), orders have already been placed for 53 packages for refinery, 70 packages for smelter and 15 packages for captive power plant.

Overall physical progress of 2nd phase expansion is as follows:—

Sl. No.	Project segment	Cumulative progress upto March, 2007 (%)	
		Schedule	Actual
1	Mines & Alumina	28.2	24.0
2	Smelter	29.5	26.3
3	Captive Power Plant	48.93	44.63

(b) While NALCO has explored the possibilities of setting up an aluminium smelter abroad, however, as on date, there is no decision in this regard.

(c) The Company has informed that in NALCO, all the rehabilitation problems are addressed and resolved as per procedure. Out of the

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.